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TUCSON FATHER AND SON INDICTED ON MONEY LAUNDERING CHARGE

Father is member of Latin Breed musical group

TUCSON, Ariz. - A federal grand jury in Tucson, returned an indictment late yesterday against Adalberto C. Gallegos, Jr., 51, and Adalberto G. Gallegos, III, 32, both of Tucson, Ariz. The federal indictment charges both defendants with Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering. Neither is currently in custody; Gallegos, III, has a outstanding arrest warrant from a previous, unrelated case.

Yesterday's indictment alleges that from approximately February 2004 to July 2006, Gallegos, Jr. and Gallegos, III conspired with other persons to conduct financial transactions which involved the proceeds of distributing marijuana.

Adalberto C. Gallegos, Jr. is employed by the Tejano musical group, Latin Breed. According to the indictment, Gallegos, Jr. established a bank account at Bank of America in Tampa, Fla. in 2004 which he used to receive approximately \$270,100 in drug proceeds. The drug proceeds were deposited in Tampa. and later withdrawn by Adalberto C. Gallegos, Jr. in Tucson, Ariz.

Adalberto C. Gallegos, III, currently unemployed, controlled a bank account at Bank of America that was established in Tucson, Ariz. in 2005 which he used to receive approximately \$61,800 in drug proceeds. The drug proceeds were deposited at the Bank of America in Tampa, Fla. and later withdrawn by Adalberto C. Gallegos, III in Tucson, Ariz.

A conviction for a violation of Conspiracy to Commit Money Laundering carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison, a \$500,000 dollar fine or both. An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and raises no inference of guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until competent evidence is presented to a jury that establishes guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted by the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Division and the Drug Enforcement Administration. The prosecution is being handled by James T. Lacey, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz.

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